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**Subject:** Evacuations Due to Chemical Incident - Atchison, KS - Situational Awareness Report - 21 Oct 16

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For your situational awareness:

**Critical Infrastructure Involved:** Chemical

At 1011 EDT, open source reported evacuations due to a chlorine release possibly originating from MGP Ingredients located at 1300 Main St. in Atchison, KS:

- The release is said to have left portions of Atchison in a dense haze; with a strong chemical smell across the city
  - There is smoke reportedly coming from around MGP and is most likely chemical-related, posing a breathing threat
- The public is requested to avoid and evacuate the areas north of MGP Ingredients
  - Nearby residents should also close windows, turn off air conditioners and furnaces, and stay indoors
  - Streets in the vicinity have been blocked off, with motorists rerouted
- The cause of the release is not yet known
- MGP Ingredients is a distributor of premium-distilled beverages

This facility is Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) regulated.

The NICC continues to monitor this incident and will provide additional information if warranted.

**\* This information is based on initial reporting and is being provided for your situational awareness. Reporting may have inaccuracies due to a rapidly developing situation and is subject to change.**

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